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Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING PLANTS
HAVING AN INCREASED TOLERANCE
AGAINST DROUGHT AND/OR FUNGAL
ATTACK AND/OR INCREASED SALT
CONCENTRATIONS AND/OR EXTREME
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Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 8, lines 14-16, please replace the paragraph with:

---As already mentioned above the hydrophilic extension comprises the amino acid sequence
MAELGSGSELHRGGGRSRTS (SEQ ID NO. 1) in a particularly preferred embodiment of the
use according to the invention.---